

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Washington, D.C. 20231

DATE: January 30, 2001  
OUR CASE NO.: 1512-9

Sir:

## PATENT APPLICATION COVER SHEET

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application (including specification, claims and declaration) of:

Inventor: Satoshi ITOI

For: DATA DECODING RECORDING DEVICE

### A. Enclosed are:

Documents: Specification Claims Abstract Declaration  
No. of Pages: [21] [4] [1] [2]

- ☒ 4 sheets of drawing(s). ☒ Formal ☐ Informal  
☒ An assignment to the invention to NEC Corporation  
☒ A certified copy of a Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-029535.  
☒ Claim for priority under 35 USC 119.  
☐ Associate Power of Attorney  
☐ Citation of Prior Art.  
☐ Preliminary Amendment.  
☐ Translation with Translator's Declaration.  
☒ Check No. 56073 in the amount of \$ 710.00 dated January 29, 2001 is enclosed to cover the ☒ filing fee; and Check No. 56074 for \$40.00 to cover ☒ assignment recording fee.

### B. FILING FEE CALCULATION

- ☐ Before calculating the filing fee, please cancel claims \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ After adding preliminary amendment claims \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. (See 37 CFR 1.27)

| SMALL ENTITY STATUS           |              |              |       |                    | LARGE BUSINESS RATE |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| For                           | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate  | Basic Fee \$355.00 | Rate                | Basic Fee \$710.00 |
| Total Claims                  | 9-20         | 0 X          | \$9   | =                  | \$18                | = 0                |
| Independent Claims            | 1-3          | 0 X          | \$40  | =                  | \$80                | = 0                |
| Multiple Dependency           |              |              | \$135 | =                  | \$270               | = 0                |
| Total Filing, Fee .....       |              |              |       |                    | .....               | =710.00            |
| Assignment Recordal Fee ..... |              |              |       |                    | .....               |                    |
| Total                         |              |              |       | \$ 00              | Total               | \$ 710.00          |

### C. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- ☒ If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following Communication (including but not limited to the payment of issue fees), they may be paid out of our deposit account No. 12-0064. If this payment also requires a Petition, please construe this authorization to pay as the necessary Petition which is required to accompany the payment.

Respectfully submitted,  
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